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REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants filed the above-referenced application on February 21, 2002. An Official Filing Receipt has not yet been received from the USPTO. Applicant hereby respectfully requests that a copy of the Official Filing Receipt be forwarded to the below-referenced attorney of record.

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